

**MINUTES
OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 4, 2008
5:00 P.M.**

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Community Room of City Hall. Answering rollcall were: Members Bennett, Housh, Masica, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Staff present included: Gordon Hughes, City Manager; Heather Worthington, Assistant City Manager; Wayne Houle, City Engineer; Mike Sitarii, Police Chief; Marty Scheerer, Fire Chief; Cary Teague, Planning Director; John Wallin, Finance Director; Jennifer Bennerotte, Communications and Marketing Director; Ceil Smith, Assistant to City Manager; Sherry Engleman, City Sanitarian; Bob Wilson, City Assessor; and Debra Mangen, City Clerk.

Mayor Hovland welcomed Sen. Geoff Michel and Rep. Neil Peterson to the work session. He stated the purpose of the work session was to allow the Council and Edina's legislative contingent to discuss important issues facing both cities and the State.

Each legislator briefed the Council on their committee assignments. It was noted that in anticipation of the reduced revenue forecast, the State's current budget would need to be reviewed and possibly amended. The legislators said they believed the bonding bill would need to wait until the budget work was completed.

The City Council, legislators and staff discussed: potential upcoming budget revisions, transportation, bonding bill, education and health care. Mayor Hovland thanked Sen. Michel and Rep. Peterson for attending the work session and briefing the Council on the upcoming session of the legislature.

There being no further business, Mayor Hovland adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Mangen, City Clerk